

## **14. WHEN WILDFIRE APPROACHES**



**Photograph 14.1.  
Approaching Wildfire**

### **14.1 Close Windows and Doors**

Close windows and doors to the house including garage doors and all doors inside the house. Take down drapes and curtains to prevent combustion from radiant heat. Turn on all lights so your house is visible in heavy smoke.

### **14.2 Water**

Charge pre-positioned hose lines for use in combating the fire.

### **14.3 Wet Roof**

If the roof is combustible, wet it down or, if equipped, turn on roof sprinklers.

### **14.4 Turn Off Gas**

Turn off the gas at the meter and the propane at the tank.

### **14.5 Listen to Radio**

Keep the radio tuned to local stations for timely reports on the fire's status and for evacuation directions.

## **14.6 Safety**

If told to evacuate, leave the area as directed. If the fire cannot be stopped and passes over your home before you and your family evacuate, the safest place for your protection is inside the house with all the doors closed.